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# **ALMA** IS FACING

Take Care of Improvements.

Demand for Sewers, Water mains, Sidewalks and Paving Waterin the City.

The rapid growth that the city of Alma has enjoyed in the past few years, and the growth that is bound the pavement and build a great home of Mrs. Lyons. the fact that people will not build Phelosant. once, if builders are to be encouraged happy wedded life.

already supplied, so that they may be who was to tie the knot, and some-

city supplied the improvements Rev. Greene a needed, that Alma would be a city tied, good and tight, of 12,000 within a year and that in five years it would be a city of 25,000

An outside firm is known to be Republican Candidate for Circuit ready to erect twenty-five houses here the minute that it can be certain of securing conveniences for the houses

The Board of Trade has some good proposition under discussion, but until Alma steps forward with improvements so that houses will be constructed it is almost useless to attempt to bring more manufacturing Institutions into Alma, Factories come only where they can get good situations. Alma can easily fix hers.

The condition of the streets, the lack of walks, good sewage, etc., were the propositions which went under a heavy fire at the public meeting Tuesday hight Mayor McKinney, Profesnes E. Mitchell, George W. Charles G. Rhoden, C. and others talked on various

ind a bond issue of about \$300,000

Goggin, C. F. Brown, W. W. Cushing. Toyd Glass, Nelson Fullerton, George & Moore and Charles G. Rhodes was ppointed to investigate. This comnittee at a meeting Wednesday deided to confer with Mayor McKinney.

ssities which have been trying at the election, April 2, 1917. ages could be given them.

Call over either phone. I. M. rian, the city ice man, successor of W. Miller. (84-tf-c)

### NAVY RECRUITING PARTY

BONDING ISSUE

A navy recruiting party will be at the City Hall, Alma, on Wednesday, April 4th, for the examination of applicants for the United States will be accepted, and men in all trades

will be examined. Transportation office in Detroit, for all men who pass the examination. Full information can be secured from Postmaster V

### \$300,000 ISSUE SUGGESTED LOCAL BUSINESS MAN WAS MARRIED TUESDAY EVENING

W. S. Proud United in Marriage Rev. Greene to Well Known Alma Lady.

houses, as to the fact that they can! Both the heads and groom are well Mills, J. L. Miller, C. R. Brewer and secure no modern conveniences in the known Alma residents, both having Pert Eckert. The wholesale houses new districts which must be built up, resided here for some years, and both of Lee & Cady, Saginaw, and the Naas the original plant of the city is are held in high esteem by a large tional Grocer company of Cadillac, sewers, water mains and paving at congratulations and wishing them it quet. The banquet was served by

ing Alma blossom forth like a rose, hard time in getting the knot tied Everyone had plenty to eat, numerous a new city that will be the pride of at that. He inteded to go to Ithaca on waiters seeing to that. The Republic Motor Truck Compaed license, but the train was hours which the Republic band, rendered the spring election and with it the voting leave one large room eighty-five by wearing apparel.

The Republic Motor Truck Compaed license, but the train was hours which the Republic band, rendered the spring election and with it the voting leave one large room eighty-five by ny, Inc., has plans for building about late and he found that he could not music, the speakers were called upon on a number of ammendments to the ninety feet on the second floor, for the three-fourths of a million dollars get back in time. Fortwith he went to answer to the various toasts. These state constitution, that are highly im- use of a department store, or someworth of buildings here this summer, to the garage and pulled out his auand is simply holding up the auto the garage and pulled out his auto thing of similar nature. It may later, not fail to be out and take in the Washington, D. C. April 2nd, headed
however, be decided to divide this sights. The merchants promise that by David Starr Jordon. Expect nouncement, as a lack of houses is was around in plenty and it happened was especially true to "Twenty Min-, Besides the city election, Alma will large room into office suits. holding them up. Men are leaving to be sticky, and hence Mr. Proud utes in Ireland," given by the Hon. vote on other propositions that are the plant almost daily because they failed to get to Ithaca as quickly as Frank A. Dean of Charlotte.

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new districts, and other districts not went to the depot to meet the parson, case of sea sickness. At a public meeting in the city hall him up, the automobile again mired in zoo, secretary of the Michigan Good to vote on this proposition. or Tuesday evening of this week, the mud, but finally Mr. Proud over- Roads association, who gave a very in- There will also be a proposition 000, and with prices soaring all of the merchants are showing in greater arit was said by officials of the Repub- came all of the obstructions that teresting address full of helpful hints that the Board of Supervisors has time the probabilities are that it will ray than ever before. Some of them lic Motor Truck Company, Inc., that seemed to be in his path, and found in road making, etc.; the Hon. Clarsubmitted for the approval of the cost the company considerably more are certain to have things that you "Alma college registers a protest

## EDWARD J. MOINET

Judge.

that it will build. Others are holding board of canvassers, Mr. Moinet was was called upon the "Good Roads," good man will be able to save a far ger quarters will be needed at that up for the same reason and Alma nominated for circuit judge of this takes no heed, but looks backward, circuit, by a popular majority of 527 which the banquet was given, was county, even in the course of a single a larger place for a post office here. It would not be surprising to see the advance that the city has made in the people of the district regard him as filled with interesting points in regard year is bound to be heeded in the post office located in this building as past five years. Her head now needs thoroughly competent to perform the to good roads. to be turned ever forward, and every duties of the important office of cirstep to be taken, should be one step cuit judge. Gratiot county has had of the board of trade followed with vote to abolish the office, if it an area picking out a new office. the office continuously for the past as explanation of what the board was fit. Houses, business structures, we all eighteen years (Judgo Stone six years trying to accomplish, and he outlined Houses, business structures, we all trying to accomplish, and he outlined A circuit judge is also to be chosen buildings for the Republic Motor want, and we want enough, enough to and Judge Searl twelve years; and the plans for the state road west from an Monday of next week, another buildings for the Republic Motor want, and we want enough, enough to the plans for the state road west from on Monday of next week, another Truck Company, Inc., Libby, McNeill off the rent hog, who is waxing all will agree that in fairness Clinton Ahna, which the board will endeavor matter upon which the people should be truck Company, Inc., Libby, McNeill fat now that Aima has no vacant county is now entitled to held the of-houses and no empty business places. Lidge Searl recognizing this fact.

Alma, which the board will endeavor give plenty of thought. A judge must be contract for this large with the people should give plenty of thought. A judge must be contract for this large with the people should give plenty of thought. A judge must be contract for this large with the people should give plenty of thought. A judge must be contract for this large with the people should give plenty of thought. A judge must be contract for this large with the people should give plenty of thought. A judge must be contract for this large with the people should give plenty of thought. Until Alma gets modern improve- by declining a further renomination, a road and the probabilities are that honest, and fair. ments where these are needed, they Mr. Moinet is forty-four years of age, the hanquet did much in working up will not come, and rents will not be and has been exclusively engaged in spirit towards the desired end, the found the candidates for the various between the old Edwards hotel and the practice of law in this district



City Engineer Smith and City Clerk for the past twenty-two years; he was fallagher, asking for estimates of presecuting attorney of Clinton counidewalks, sewers and watermains to ty for three terms, and declined a ill sub-divisions, and to all parts of further nomination as the extensive he city ware such requirements are practice of his law firm demanded his eded, and also for the paving of the exclusive attention. He has been enreets to all main entrances of the gaged in some of the most important ty, and on all streets where petition litigation in the state, and with his r paving has been made.

The matter of sewer, waterworks law can be relied upon to maintain streets improvements are just as the high standard established in this portant in many parts of the city circuit by Judge Scarl and his predeon the new sub-divisions. Many cessors. He respectfully solicits the tion of the city are without these support of the people of the district

sars to get them and have fail- Editor's Note-To several inquiring here are many such lots that friends we wish to announce that Mr. and would be built on if these Moinet is a 32nd degree Mason and a member of the Episcopal church.

On and after April 1st, we will add We will be ready to deliver ice to ten per cent to laundry lists until y part of the city until further no- further notice. Alma City Laundry.

Advertise in the Record.

## **GREAT CROWD AT** BOARD'S BANQUET

City in Need of Big Issue to will be paid for all men to the main Over Four Hundred Men Were Present at the Big Affair.

Over Half of Those Present Were Farmers Invited by Board of Trade.

and business men of the city attend- for the school board, On Tuesday evening of this week, ed the board of trade banquet, given

mount of sidewalk. A bond issue of The wedding was a squeet affair, banquet were furnished by various in, ent conditions can be relieved through city essible \$200,000 will be needed to only a very few of the most intimate stitutions beth in and outside of the the building of a new school house ake care of the wants of the city. friends of the couple being present at city. Among those from Alma fur- here Alms today is having a familie in the coremony which was terformed at hishing cats were the Model Bakery. houses, a famine due not so much to 8:00 p. m. by Rev. Greene of Mt. t. H. Smith, Libby, McNeill & Libby

Swift & Company, the Alma Roller Mrs. Frusch, and was one of the best in constructing houses here and mak- It is reported that Mr. Proud had a that has ever been held in the city.

According to the returns of the Regers, state highway commissioner, couple of thousands a year, but a

Alma. Alma will do her share, with this spring-

the various townships-Arcada, Pine River, Sumner and Seville. Roller Mills, who acted in the capacity and every voter should go to the polls of toastmaster at the affair, acquitted | hanself in great shape, and proved himself a capable master of ceremo

Slater and Sanderhoff, who had charge the banquet, certainly are past-

### PLANT DISTRIBUTION

var for Central Normal school in Orders are being received by etter planting movement will be bigis your are as followed 3 year old and a half cents each, 3-5 year old ents each, 2 year old concord grapes at seven cents each.

These are sent by parcel post prepaid, order must amount to at least twenty-five cents. This movement is carried on by the Department of Agriculture, Central Normal, Mt. Pleasant, Michigan.

### BARBERS NOTICE

The following prices have been agreed upon by the barbers of Alma and will be effective April 15th: Hair cut, 35 cents. Electric massage, 35 cents.

Hand massage, 25 cents. Pinaud quinine tonic, 25 cents. All other tonics at the old price. Shops will be open every evening until 8:00 o'clock; Saturday evenings will be open until 11:00 o'clock.

> RAY & HAYWARD, A. W. DAVIS. HAMILTON & McCARTY. LOTT & WILLARD, DAVIS & BELAN.

### WILL USE CHAPEL

Eastminster Chapel to be Used

Eastminster, the newly constructed Presbyterian chapel in East Alma, will soon be doing duty as a public school, it is expected.

of late months. All rooms are crowden to capacity. A couple of months ago it was found necessary to use the large assembly room in the city hall as a school room, members of the fourth and fifth grades being taken COST ESTIMATED AT \$35,000 NEXT WEEK IS THE ANto the city hall for instruction, and this relieved the condition for a short

The continued rapid growth of Alma has hade a rapid continuation in the growth of the public schools until ma has hade a rapid continuation in the growth of the public schools until again the three buildings are crowded and the proposition of taking care Well, over four hundred farmers of the situation is again a puzzler

# **ELECTION COMES ON MON-**

Before the Voters and They Should Ballot.

tant local matters that will come be- structure.

ace Holmes, superintendent of the people of the county this spring. This before the structure is completed and Michigan School for the Blind, with a will relate to the hiring of a farm ex- ready for use. years to come. If the county votes the nearness to the depot is one of Attorney D. L. Johnson, secretary to secure a farm expert, it can later the points that will be considered in

A circuit indge is also to be chosen Alma is vitally interested in such be a man of no mean ability, a man building.

securing of a good road west from state offices which are to be elected

All in all the election this spring and express his preference.

### BUYS BARN

& Brown Take Wright Livery.

te he has been managing the Wright no pager of the Areada livery.

secure a number of Ford cars and an ed entirely in white, making it not a part of the city of Alma.

In any only very light, but very pleasant to the accompanying cut shows clearagar maples, 4-5 feet high, at four House barn in the future, and that the visit.

### AFTER FIVE HUNDRED MEN

which will be scattered around the and others at regular prices. state, which are headed: "Five hunored men wanted." The bills call for children's department as well as sevmachinists, machine men, carpenters, eral other specialized departments of woodworkers, and common laborers. various sorts. Application may be made at the employment office here.

### NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Ground was broken on Monday of

to be Erected on Old

Hotel Site.

this week for the new building to be Some time ago, the Eastminster constructed on South State street by to come within the next two years, is W. S. Proud, one of the prominent for the farmers around Alma last chapel was offered the school board in the Merchants' Building company, and starts Monday, April 2nd, and will for everything, the college having demanding that the city take action business men of the city was united Friday evening in the Alma high case of need, and it is said that the the space formerly occupied by the old last throughout the week, but Alma emphatically refused to join in the big in regard to constructing adequate in marriage to Miss Bertha Diamond, school gymnasium, and a big time school board will now accept it and Edward's hotel, will soon be covered merchants will not bring forth their demonstration for peace, which is to sewer and water systems, and extend the coremony taking place at the was had by the entire bunch. Most of the things served up at the the year, or possibly until the pres- building that will be a credit to the ing of next week, when the second show congress and the president that

> building just to the north of its will be trimmed in the neatest, pret-station, first last and all of the time present structure, and joining that of tiest and tastiest of ways, and each and the heads of the institution bemaking three-fourths of a block of wares that the local fashion houses united now, when a grave danger constore buildings on South State street, have for their patrons this spring. . Courts the country. It is an institu-

Saturday is registration day and on second floor is still problematical. It pair of shoes, or anything else that The telegram received follows:

who was to tie the knot, and some. Among the other speakers of the fore the voters of Alma this year and way or other missed him. In hunting evening were Mr. Bryant of Kalamathey should make it their business structed by the Merchants' Building the worderful things that the local the wonderful things that the local "L. P. Louchner,

toast, "A New Way of Minding One's pert for the county, to advise and aid It is said that the company is fig-Own Business;" Rev. A. W. Wishart the farmers of the county. This also uring on designating one of the stores of Grand Rapids, with a toast on so- is an important matter, and should be so that it will conform with the needs cial preparedness; Roy Vandercook, given considerable thought by the of the post office department for a publicity agent of the Pere Marquette. voters before being turned down. The pest office for Alma. The contract and the discussion of the matter for greater sum to the farmers of the time, and the department is seeking

who has had the contracts for the

The building of be constructed by At the top of the ticket will be the I, O, O, F, lodge will fill the alley the present I. O. O. F. building, will have an eighteen foot frontage on State street and will be ninety-five means more to the voters here than feet long. It will be constructed of W. G. Griffin, manager of the Alma has been the case in years and each brick and stone, similar to the present I O. O. F. building and will be two stories and a basement in height.

### EFFICIENCY SYSTEM

The committee consisting of Griffin, Eicher Buys Arcada Livery and Winn Robinson's Store Has System and Makes Other Changes

> Robert B. Schreffler of Chicago, an A. F. Eicher has purchased the Ar- expert in department store efficiency da hotel livery barn and will take is here installing a system of accountshows here for some years. Of as an up to the minute retail store. All of the space under the main

ure merchandise at bargain prices, al- Alma, with a favorable vote. The near the pace being set by the swiftly though there will be other kinds double lines in the cut, show the growing population. shown as well. For instance, there present boundaries of the city of Alwill be a very large stock of rugs ma, and the single line shows the Bills have been printed for the Re- and linoleums and drapery goods in proposed new boundaries if the propopublic Motor Truck Company, Inc., the basement, some specially priced sition is carried. The dotted lines out-

I have engaged S. E.Gardiner, M.D., gratifying, inasmuch as it concerns three-fourths square miles, and if the of Mt. Pleasant, who for many years one of our leading stores. Whenever proposition meets with a favorable things that would be just one of the many has been making a specialty of disastore is improved in the city, it not vote the humber of square miles with eases of the eye and of refraction only means greater advantages to the in the corporate limits will be increas-

### TRAINS DELAYED

The Pere Marquette passenger and eight trains were delayed for some hours on Tuesday of this week, when morning Pere Marquette east went off the track just east of Alma. It was not until late in the afternoon that the train was able to proceed. The conditions in the local schools Ground Broken for Building and being on the main line, all other have been going from bad to worse Authorities fyer west in the afternoon. The east bound flyer was also delayed for a short time because of this.

# NOT FOUND HERE

Turn Down Invitation to Demand Peace.

### PROTEST PACIFISTS **NUAL DRESS UP WEEK**

League Will Not Get Alma Aid in Heckling President and Wednesday Evening of Next Week Will Open the Spring Style Show. Congress Monday.

The officials of Alma college may be numbered among those that believe The annual spring dress up week that the United States cannot stand

annual Alma fashion show starts, the country does not want war. The windows of the various stores Alma college is an American insti-Merchants' Building company, will carry the choicest articles of lieve that the United States must be

DAY OF THE NEXT WEEK The building to be constructed by the Merchants' Building company is next Wednesday, and the public is A telegram was received by the collection of the constructed by the collection of the constructed by the collection of the to be eighty-five by ninety feet, hav. cordially invited to call at any and lege yesterday from the Emergency entire built over. Alma must furnish circle of friends in Alma and cleinity, through their traveling agents, also aid in the furnishing of sidewalks, who join with the Record in extending aided in furnishing food for the bansewers, water mains and paying at congratulations and cushing them. They and a basement in height, and will the latest in spring creations, and the president that the country will have four store rooms on the first even those extremely hard to pieuse not be stampeded into war. And yet in matters of dress should be able to some of these pacifists would call

Just what will be done with the pick out that spring suit, skirt, waist, themselves Americans.

"Alma College

Even though not ready to make "The Emergency Peace federation the windows will be the prettjest that thousands to be there to tell con-

LELLA SAYE, "(Signed) "Sec'y of Mrs. Henry Willard."

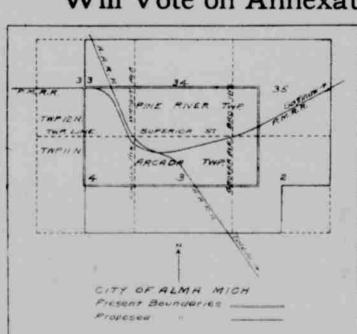
The college reply: "Alma, Mich., March 28, 1917.

"Munsey Building,

"Washington, D. C. the need is against action of the Eme apparent and the goods are new, the Peace federation for April 2nd. Em time for purchase has come. Be- phatically will not co-operate.

"H. M. CROOKS, Pres. "J. E. MITCHELL, Dean."

## Townships and City of Alma Will Vote on Annexation



mg and departmentizing that will zens of Alma and of the townships and four in Arcada township will be A. F. Eichge has been in the livery place the business in the front ranks of Pine River and Arcada will vote on effected. Section three, will be enthe proposition of annexation, which tirely within the city limits, as will use livery and before that was floor is being remodeled, and will in is to be highly important, not only to be three-fourths of section two. The the fututre, be known as the "Under the city of Alma, which is seeking west half of section four will also Brown & Wins, the present man- priced Basement." An open stairway portions of these townships, but also come within the city limits. a er of the Arcada livery barn, will will lead down to it from a convenient to the townships themselves, which Much of this territory is now take charge of the Wright House point on the main floor. The new are going to face improvement propo- broken up into sub-divisions and has li ey. It is reported that they will basement will be beautifully decorat- sition, if these portions are not made seen considerable building and there

have on display next week at the

sides Easter is only little over a week

ly the portions of these townships ir gs is rapidly assuming great proporpresent livery will be done away with Primarily this basement will feat that will be annexed to the city of tions, being unable to keep anywhere side show the completion of the sec- Alma. It would be a serious blow to

As the cut shows the boundaries will not be extended further west at This paper is always enthusiastic this time, if the proposition carries, over any changes that take place in but that the city will extend further the various retail establishments of east, north and south. The present Alma, and this one is particularly boundaries of Alma include one and a population that really should be in

as well, making it a more attractive place to shop, and tending to further city, and half of section thirty-three, ships and in Alma, who favors the its progress to a considerable extent. all of Pine River township, will be proposition, vote on the annexation

On Monday of next week, the citi- included in Alma Sections two, three

New factories, etc., will also play a In addition, there will be a special tions, and those inside the streets, or the progress of the city, should the proposition go down to defeat.

Not only is it important to Alma. but to the townships that are effected Both Pine River and Arcada township would find it burdensoute to care for Alma, Higher taxes for improve-

work, to spend the second and the actual residents, but forms an attrac- ed to four and three-fourths square. At the present time there seems to fourth Mondays of each month in the hospital, where I shall be glad to have my friends see him when in need of the outlying districts. Not only my friends see him when in need of the outlying districts. Not only my friends see him when in need of the outlying districts. Not only my friends see him when in need of the outlying districts. Not only my friends see him when in need of the outlying districts. This will effect six sections, as the benefit shoppers, but the city of Alma cut shows. Section thirty-four and ci next week, but it is highly impor-